

House Resolution No. 3365

Whereas, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives wholeheartedly believe that a successful marriage forms a firm foundation for a lifetime of happiness and security and wish to salute an outstanding Missouri couple whose union confirms that philosophy; and

Whereas, Mr. and Mrs. Ray Hickman, treasured residents of Koshkonong, Missouri, commemorated the resplendent occasion of their Fiftieth Wedding Anniversary on May 31, 2008, with a festive celebration and open house held at their home; and

Whereas, joined in marriage before the eyes of the Lord on May 31, 1958, Ray Hickman and Pearl Dunn began their lives together as husband and wife after a memorable wedding ceremony; and

Whereas, since that happy day, Ray and Pearl Hickman have witnessed with pleasure the growth of their mutual trust and understanding, qualities which continue to endear them to one another with each passing year; and

Whereas, a proud father and caring husband whose hobbies include hunting, fishing, and raising cattle, Mr. Hickman provided a safe and secure future for his loved ones as an aircraft mechanic with McDonnell Douglas for thirty-eight years, while somehow finding the time and energy for affiliation with the Masonic Lodge and Scottish Rite; and

Whereas, a devoted wife, loving mother, and exemplary homemaker, Mrs. Hickman enjoyed her family immensely and further distinguished herself as a surgical L.P.N. for twenty-seven years and member of the Order of the Eastern Star; and

Whereas, Ray and Pearl Hickman attribute their fifty years of wedded success and happiness to their strong sense of faith and family, the foundation upon which they have planted the seeds of their love and respect for each other in the generations to follow which include their four children, Everett, Vonnie Dee, Bill, and John; and their eleven grandchildren and fourteen great-grandchildren:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-fourth General Assembly, join in a thunderous round of applause for Ray and Pearl Hickman upon the glorious celebration of their Golden Wedding Anniversary, and in wishing them much peace and prosperity as they proudly continue their journey along life's path; and

Be it further resolved that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution for Mr. and Mrs. Ray Hickman.

Offered by _____
Representative Mike Dethrow
District No. 153

I, Rod Jetton, Speaker of the House of Representatives,
Ninety-fourth General Assembly, Second Regular Session,
do certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House
Resolution No. 3365, adopted June 5, 2008.

Rod Jetton, Speaker